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SKETCHES OF LITTLE OLD NEW YORK BY O. O. McINTYRE

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NEW YORK, Dec. 29.—There is a new type of beggar in the metropolis. He or she, as the case may be, is known as the "highbrow beggar." On the word of the telephone girl at the Ritz—who by the way is very pretty—the type of beggar comes to the big hotel lobbies with an English or Bostonese accent and finds an excuse to accost people for charity.

An investigation showed that the same type of beggar had been working in the Waldorf, Astor, Claridge, St. Regis, Majestic and Plaza. About a dozen have been asked to leave the prominent hotel lobbies within the last week.

One of the beggars was a Sister of Charity, who upon investigation, it was found had bought her raiment from a costumer. Another was begging for poor babies. A third for a society to help indigent females.

The female was, of course, the woman herself. There are also many fake Salvation Army lasses, who hire the costumes from stage costumers, and go around in cafes and saloons at night soliciting charity. One young woman, a fakir, is said to have made as high as \$50 in a single evening.

In a Fifth avenue bus a group of Christmas shoppers were returning homeward. I was hanging to a strap. At the far end there was an elderly man who had more courage than the rest of us. He finally stood up and pointing at the object of all our wrath said:

"Young man, I am sixty. I am a very patient man. I have been through many moments of anger. I have suffered. I have, as you see,

very white hair—the frost of many winters. But I am patient. All of my friends have long since deserted me.

"But young man if you wish me to lose my patience. If you wish to see a rare exhibition of temper the like of which you never saw before. I advise you to keep on whistling."

And we all applauded!

The message from Pauda, Italy, that the Princess de Chiny was dead, caused a scene in Little Hungary in New York. Little Hungary is the East Side resort where you may drink all the different colored wines you want on tap at the table for the price of the dinner.

The news was first flashed to Chicago and then it was sent to the little cafe. In the midst of the near Bohemian gaiety of that resort a tall man with flashing black eyes dropped his violin and made his way from the crowded rooms.

He was Jansci Rigo, Hungarian gypsy violinist. At one time he was the husband of Clara Ward, the former Detroit heiress. Several months ago I used to drop down to Little Hungary just to watch Rigo and hear him play. He loved his violin and when he played he acted like one entranced. He has a fierce Hungarian mustache and flashing gypsy eyes but always he seems to be sad. Perhaps he was thinking of his poor princess!

I always take off my hat to the man who has hit the bottom, and comes to the top again. That is why I admire George Graham Rice. He has paid the price for bucking the powers that be in Wall street and it

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Two vacant lots on North Street, Broad Oaks, 31x89 feet each, one of them is a corner lot. Both for \$1,800.

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pleased me to see him the other afternoon bowling up Fifth avenue in a huge limousine and wrapped in a big fur coat.

It was only a few years ago that his enemies said Rice was through—and indeed he was broke. The other day a man who knows told me that Rice was now easily worth a million dollars. He has never lost his smile. He seems to typify the old postcard adage that it is easy to be pleasant when life goes like a song, but the man worth while is the man with a smile when everything goes dead wrong.

The manufacture of oil from birch bark is becoming an important industry of the southern states.

French authorities have opened 135 miles of railroad in Algeria, which eventually will cross the Sahara desert.

RAISE WAGES.

CARNEGIE, Pa., Dec. 30.—The Superior Steel Company of this place has announced a ten per cent wage increase to its 1,700 employees.

SPIRIT OF METHODISM SUBJECT FOR SUNDAY

As Suggested by Members of the Joint Commission on Unification of Churches.

The following appeal signed by Earl Cranston, chairman, and A. W. Harris, secretary, has been issued:

To all who in any capacity represent the Methodist Episcopal church, greetings:

December 28 is drawing near—the day that should mark the beginning of a new era in American and world Methodism. That day and the days immediately following it will be days of glorious prophecy or of lamentable omen for religion in our land and for all the vast interests which God has committed to Methodism. Do you all realize what is at stake in the great movement for reorganization?

Your commissioners have earnestly asked and the bishops have added their urgent appeal:

(1) That all Methodist shall pray fervently for God's blessing on the work of the joint commission representing the two Episcopal Methodist churches, during the sessions beginning December 28 at the First Methodist Episcopal church in the city of Baltimore, and (2) that every pastor of both churches shall observe Sunday, December 31, by preaching on "The Spirit of Methodism," and by holding

MOUNT CLARE MURMURINGS

Events of the Community Are Set Down by a Telegram Correspondent.

MT. CLARE, Dec. 30.—The Rev. H. B. Workman began a series of revival meetings at the Methodist Episcopal church here Sunday evening. Owing to the inclement weather, the attendance has been small, although the pastor has faithfully met the situation with some able and well prepared sermons to those present. The Rev. Dr. W. B. King, of the First Methodist Episcopal church of Clarksburg, filled the pulpit Thursday evening to the delight of all his hearers. He preached from the songs of Solomon upon a topic that might be termed "Solomon's Greatness and Solomon's Weakness," which was an exposition of all the weaknesses of the human race, and which made a profound impression upon all who heard it. Upon invitation at the close of his sermon a number of persons went forward and gave him their hands in pledge of a desire to lead a better life. The Rev. Mr. Pritchard, of Broad Oaks, filled the pulpit Friday night.

"Too much Christmas" may account for the unusual activity of Dr. Livesay, the local physician, for some days. He avers that he has not had a night's sleep during the entire week, but according to tradition, what may be loss to one is gain to another, although the double loss of the victims in the Christmas bills and doctor bills makes it hard on the unfortunate ones.

NEW BIRTH

And Death Certificates Are Adopted by State Health Department.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 30.—The United States standard birth and death certificates have been adopted for West Virginia, which has remained one of only three states not using this standard, uniform form. These new certificates are the only ones recognized by other states and governments. The state health department has had the new certificates printed and distributed to all the county clerks, from whom they may be obtained by physicians. The state health department at Charleston also



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request. For recording all birth and deaths which occur after January 1, 1917, the use of the new standard certificates will be required.

A system of collecting vital statistics has been put into force by the assistant health commissioner, asking the clerks of the county courts to send to the state health department at the end of each month all original birth and death certificates received by them during the month. These certificates will then be available for immediate use. They will be indexed and filed in the new office provided for this work.

VOULUNTARY RAISE.

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Dec. 30.—The 900 employees of the Standard Steel Car Company will receive a ten per cent wage increase, according to an announcement by officials of the company.

The capacity of a clothesline is doubled by a new device that straddles the line and provides two pieces of wire to which clothes can be fastened.

TO HOLD REVIVAL.

Revival meetings will begin in the Northview Wesleyan Methodist church Sunday night at 7:30 o'clock and continue for three weeks every night except Saturday night. Mrs. E. Boger and Mrs. C. Hirt, of Pittsburgh, will be the evangelists. Mrs. Boger is an excellent preacher on the two works of grace, justification and sanctification, and both are good singers. Go and hear the old time gospel preached and sung.

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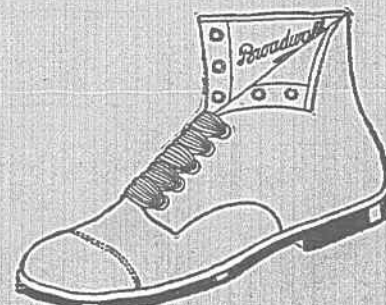
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